
By: **Charles County Delegation**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Charles County - Alcoholic Beverages - License Fees**

3 FOR the purpose of altering certain alcoholic beverages license fees in Charles
4 County; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages in Charles County.

5 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

6 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

7 Section 3-401(a)(1), 5-202(b)(1), 5-401(a)(1), 6-101(a)(1), 6-201(a)(1), (j)(1), (3),

8 and (4)(i), and 6-301(a)(1) and (j)(1)

9 Annotated Code of Maryland

10 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

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12 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

13 Section 3-401(j), 5-202(f), 5-401(j), 6-101(j)(1), 6-201(j)(2) and (4)(iii),

14 6-301(j)(2), and 6-401(j)

15 Annotated Code of Maryland

16 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

18 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages

2 3-401.

3 (a) (1) A Class D beer license shall be issued by the license issuing authority
4 of the county in which the place of business is located. The holder of the license may
5 keep for sale and sell beer at retail at the place described in the license. The beer may
6 be consumed on the premises or elsewhere, but a license may not be issued for any
7 drugstore.

8 (j) In Charles County the annual license fee is [~~\$150~~] \$180.

9 5-202.

10 (b) (1) A Class H beer and light wine license shall be issued by the license
11 issuing authority of the county in which the place of business is located. The license
12 authorizes the holder to keep for sale and sell beer and light wines at retail at any
13 hotel or restaurant, at the place described in the license, for consumption on the
14 premises.

15 (f) In Charles County the annual license fee is [~~\$200~~] \$240.

16 5-401.

17 (a) (1) A Class D beer and light wine license shall be issued by the license
18 issuing authority of the county in which the place of business is located. The license
19 authorizes its holder to keep for sale and to sell beer and light wines at retail, at the
20 place described in the license, for consumption on the premises or elsewhere. The
21 license may not be issued for any drugstore.

22 (j) In Charles County the annual license fee is [~~\$200~~] \$240.

23 6-101.

24 (a) (1) A Class A beer, wine and liquor license shall be issued by the license
25 issuing authority of the county in which the place of business is located. The license
26 authorizes the holder to keep for sale and to sell all alcoholic beverages at retail, in
27 any quantity, at the place described in the license. The licensee shall deliver the
28 alcoholic beverages in a sealed package or container and the package or container
29 may not be opened nor its contents consumed on the premises where sold.

30 (j) (1) In Charles County the annual license fee is [~~\$400~~] \$480.

31 6-201.

32 (a) (1) A Class B beer, wine and liquor license shall be issued by the license
33 issuing authority of the county in which the place of business is located, and the
34 license authorizes its holder to keep for sale and sell all alcoholic beverages at retail
35 at any hotel or restaurant at the place described, for consumption on the premises or
36 elsewhere, or as provided in this section.

- 1 (j) (1) This subsection applies only in Charles County.
- 2 (2) The annual license fee is [~~\$300~~] \$360.
- 3 (3) This license shall provide for the consumption of beer, wine and
4 liquor on the premises only.
- 5 (4) (i) There is in addition to the classes provided for, a special Class B
6 license known as a Class BLX, which is issued only to luxury-type restaurants.
- 7 (iii) The license fee is [~~\$2,000~~] \$2,400.
- 8 6-301.

9 (a) (1) A Class C beer, wine and liquor license shall be issued by the license
10 issuing authority of the county in which the place of business is located. It authorizes
11 the holder to keep for sale and sell all alcoholic beverages at retail at any club, at the
12 place described in the license, for consumption on the premises only.

- 13 (j) (1) This subsection applies only in Charles County.
- 14 (2) The annual license fee is [~~\$250~~] \$300.

15 6-401.

- 16 (j) (1) This subsection applies only in Charles County.
- 17 (2) The annual license fee:
- 18 (i) For on- and off-sale of all alcoholic beverages is [~~\$950~~] \$1,140;
19 and
- 20 (ii) For off-sale for liquor and on- or off-sale for beer and wine is
21 [~~\$600~~] \$720.

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
23 effect June 1, 2004.